(c) whether allegations have been made that the criteria fixed gy the host-country have not been adhered to ; and

(d) if so, the reasons for the devi tion ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENTS OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS) WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RECOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT) (KUMARI MAMATA BANERJEE) : (a) No, Sir. The fact is that a total of 15 candidates were selected, including 3 of them as reserve candidates for the Japan-sponsored. "Ship for World Youth" Programme, 1992. However, only 9 candidates, 7 of them belonging to the main list and 2 from the reserve list have gone to Japan, as 5 from the main list and one from the reserve list could not go.

(b) The basic criteria prescribed by the Japanese Government for participating youth were that they should be between 20—29 years as on 1-4-91 and have working knowledge of English. The age prescribed for the leader is 30—35 years and he or she should possess leadership qualities.

(c) There was a report in 'Indian Express' dated 20th January, 1992 wherein it was alleged that candidates were included in the last minute, 2 candidates who do not possess working knowledge of English were selected and the ratio of 50:50 between male and female candidate was not observed in the Selection.

(d) There was no last minute inclusion of any candidate. All the candidates deputed were in the originally selected list or in the reserve list. There was also no deviation from the criteria fixed by the host country. All candidates selected fulfil the requirement of working knowledge of English and the host country has not prescribed any ratio between male and female candidates.

Selection Scale of Teachers of Govt. and Aided Schools

621. DR. RATNAKAR PANDEY :
SHRI SHIVPRASAD CHANPURIA :

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) the number of teachers of all categories *i.e.* Post Graduates and Trained Graduate Teachers etc. of Government and Government-aided schools in Delhi who have been given Seleciton Scale during the year 1991 and so far in 1992;

(b) the number of teachers of all categories who are likely to be given Selection Scale during the current year ;

(c) if the answer to part (a) and (b) above be in the negative, what are the reasons therefor; and

(d) by when they are likely to be given the Selection Scale ?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH) : (a) According to Delhi Administration, Selection Scale has been given to 10 teachers of Government Schools and 13 teachers of Government Aided Schools from April, 1991 till date.

(b) About 215 teachers.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) During the current year as stated at (b) above.

Jammu without Engineering College

622. SHRI SHABBIR AHMAD SALARIA : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that there is no Engineering College in Jammu Division of J & K ; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH) : (a) and (b) There is no engineering college at present in Jammu Division of J & K. The All India Council for Technical Education has approved establishment of a State engineering college in Jammu Tawi in 1986 which is not yet set up by the Govt. of J & K.

623. [*Transferred to the 11th March,* 1992.]

Navodaya Vidyalayas

624. CHOWDHRY HARI SINGH : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) the number of districts in the country in which Navodaya Vidyalayas have been set up so far ;

(b) the number of those districts which are yet to be covered under the Scheme and by when those districts are likely to be covered ;

(c) the annual expenditure being incurred by Government on the Navodaya Vidyalayas ; and